

RUSSO-RUMANIAN FORCES DRIVE HARD AGAINST INVADERS

BIGGEST OPENING DAY ATTENDANCE IN FAIR HISTORY

School Children and Travelers Guests of Honor.

FOOTBALL IS STAR EVENT

Imposing Grandstand Holds Attention of Crowds.

The 1916 State Fair and Exposition was thrown open this morning to the admiring inspection of thousands of people making up the greatest opening day crowd in the history of the institution.

This was "Traveling Men's" and "State School" day at the fair, and long before noon the spacious grounds were thronged with happy kids from the public schools and kids that have grown up into "drummers."

Showers Don't Hurt.

Despite showers weather indications were satisfactory for the afternoon. The momentary threatening weather did not keep crowds from continuing to swarm to the grounds, every car leaving the city carrying a capacity load of visitors.

In fact, the brisk showers that fell before noon tended chiefly to settle the dust and make the air pleasant. Gravel and cement walks in the grounds removed the possibility of great inconvenience from the rain.

At noon officials of the fair association did not attempt to estimate the day's attendance, but it was plain that all first-day records would be smashed.

Football Game Today.

A large number of rooters from Central State Normal, Edmond, and the State University, Norman, were out before noon for the football game scheduled for this afternoon. The grid battle, first of the year here, was to be the big amusement feature of the opening day, taking the place of the racing scheduled for other afternoons.

The crowds paid much attention to the massive reinforced concrete grandstand, hurriedly erected to take the place of the old wood one which was destroyed by fire a month ago today.

Imposing Structure.

It is an imposing structure, towering much higher than the former stand. A splendid view of the grounds could be obtained from the top of the stand, and hundreds today made their way to the highest tier.

Exhibits were in their places in the great exposition building and the aisles were crowded early with pleased throngs of spectators. It was announced that no awards would be given out until Monday. Hundreds of farmers and machine men thronged implement field, where tractors and machinery were exhibited.

Placing New Autos.

In the automobile building scores of new cars that will be on exhibition all next week were ranged around the walls, but they had not been put in their places. Placing the cars was expected to be completed this afternoon.

The carnival company which will operate shows on the midway arrived, but came late and it was announced that the amusements would not be in full blast until Monday.

Figure Eight Repaired.

The repaired figure eight attracted considerable attention today, as no time has been had to paint the new portion. Visitors could see where flames cut into the structure.

Excellent street car service was afforded today, cars operating between the city and the grounds every two minutes. Most of them carried trailers. Visitors were not forced to delay in getting to or from the grounds.

Steel Continues Skyrocket Pace

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—For a week and market, today's two-hour session of the stock exchange was probably without parallel. The trading in the first hour amounted to more than half a million shares with no diminution of activity with the approach of the close.

There were numerous spectacular features but all were eclipsed by the further meteoric rise in United States Steel, which touched 117½, a new record.

Other leaders rose to highest prices in their history, notably coppers.

Mrs. Helen Evers Is Arrested Again

CHICAGO, Sept. 23.—Mrs. Helen Evers, one of the women arrested by government agents last Saturday night on a charge of being a member of a blackmailing syndicate and at liberty on bond, was seized early today in a south side cafe by detectives from the state's attorneys office. With her was taken Willard Powell, recently arrested in Denver. Neither was booked and the charge against them was not known early today.

TWO SEAPLANES SAVE TWENTY-NINE SAILORS OF FRENCH SUBMARINE

BERLIN, Sept. 23.—The exploit of Austro-Hungarian aeronauts who with two seaplanes rescued twenty-nine men, the officers and crew of the French submarine Foucault, is described by the Tageblatt. Official announcement was made at Vienna Friday of the sinking of the Foucault by an Austrian seaplane in the southern Adriatic.

The sea was rough and there was also danger that the Austrian aeronauts would be captured by hostile warships as well as that the seaplanes, overloaded by taking on board so many men, might collapse. Nevertheless, the Austrian aviators told the men from the French submarine to swim to the seaplanes and take hold of them. The aviators signalled for help and half an hour later a torpedo boat arrived and took on board the men from the submarine.

Girl Driven Into Woods at Point of Gun

Minnesota Teacher Tells Story of Kidnaping by Cave Man.

DEER RIVER, Minn., Sept. 23.—At daylight today no trace had been found of the hunted assailant of Olga Dahl, 19-year-old school mistress of Itasca county. The girl, regained consciousness last night and described the assailant, 300 armed men are pursuing it is said that Miss Dahl will live.

A cold night with heavy frost made miserable the man fleeing through the Minnesota swamps from the wrath of a community. There is scarcely an unguarded red spot upon which he can stand. Starvation will eventually drive him forth, it is believed.

Miss Dahl, heavily bandaged hiding a disfigured face, where the assailant twice shot her, told pathetically her story. She told of the man—how he came to the school house after the children had left. He talked to her; then came a long wait in her story.

Finally she said the man drew a revolver and demanded that she follow him into the woods. He made a camp fire and slept beside her that night.

"Next morning," she sobbed, "he built another fire. He turned to me. When I regained consciousness I was tied to a tree. He looked at me and without saying a word began to shoot me. I felt the bullets hit my face. I fainted, I guess. I do not remember."

Wilson to Begin Porch Campaign

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Sept. 23.—President Wilson's program today called for the first of a series of speeches he plans to deliver at Shadow Lawn in his "porch campaign." He planned to address a large delegation of New Jersey businessmen on the attitude of his administration toward American business.

Walter Hines Page, American ambassador to London, who arrived here late last night, remained over today to discuss with the president British interference with American trade and mails. The president informed him fully of the resentment in this country over British restrictions on neutral commerce.

Unsettled Weather Tonight and Sunday

Local Forecast—Partly cloudy and unsettled weather tonight and Sunday; not much change in temperature.

State Forecast—Tonight and Sunday, unsettled weather.

ARKANSAS—Fair. WEST TEXAS—Fair in south, unsettled in north. KANSAS—Unsettled; warmer tonight.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE

10 p. m.	62
11 p. m.	61
12 midnight	61
1 a. m.	61
2 a. m.	62
3 a. m.	61
4 a. m.	60
5 a. m.	59
6 a. m.	61
7 a. m.	61
8 a. m.	63
9 a. m.	63
10 a. m.	71
11 a. m.	74
12 noon	74

"Zimmie"

EVERY NEW YORK UNIONIST TO QUIT OR BE 'TRAITOR'

General Walkout Is Set for Wednesday.

AFFECTS 750,000 WORKERS

Refuse to Ride to Work on Non-Union Cars.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—All unions in this city and Westchester county today began to vote on ratification of the action of eighty delegates who yesterday called for a "general suspension of work" next Wednesday morning. The labor chiefs appealed to all union wage-earners to stay at home until the traction companies made it possible for them to ride in the street cars without offense to their union allegiance.

750,000 Workers Affected.

It is asserted that no such action heretofore has been taken by the trades unions of this country, nor has a strike involving so many trades ever been called. Its maximum effect would be to call from work 750,000 men and women.

Fetters Means Treason.

Leaders of the movement refrain from calling it a sympathetic strike. They declare that many of the unions already have voted to ratify their recommendations and that any union man who does not quit work Wednesday will be denounced as a traitor.

Hopes Not Disclosed.

To what extent they expect unions to respond to the suspension call was not disclosed. It is pointed out that Wednesday is the beginning of an important Jewish holiday when many workers ordinarily would stay at home.

Big Democratic Parade Details Prepared Today

Final details of the big parade which is to feature democratic day at the State Fair next Thursday will be worked out this afternoon by W. R. Samuel, C. F. Barrett and A. L. Walker, who compose the committee appointed by the state campaign committee to arrange details.

The committee will decide on the order of formation of the parade and the route. The tentative route provides for starting at Fourth street and Broadway, then moving south to Main, west on Main to Walker, south on Walker to Grand avenue and the Auditorium, where United States Senator Robinson of Arkansas will speak.

The democratic state committee is offering a prize of \$100 to the county or city sending the largest delegation and \$100 to the delegation having the best band.

THOUSANDS SEE FIRST OF TROOPS END LONG HIKE

Curbs Lined as Soldiers From San Antonio March Into City.

AUSTIN, Texas, Sept. 23.—Shortly before 9 o'clock today the vanguard of 15,000 troops from San Antonio crossed the city limits of Austin. They will be passing along Congress avenue during about six hours, according to their schedule. Preceding the other arms of the service by about two hours, a fleet of more than one hundred enormous auto trucks came snorting into the city shortly after sunrise, carrying supplies from the base to be deposited at Camp Mabry in preparation for the arrival of the troops.

Pass in Review.

As the troops passed around the state capitol they were reviewed by Governor James E. Ferguson, Major General Funston and his staff.

The troops appeared to be rather weary as a result of the hike though it has been taken in what the army considers as easy stages. The troops have been on the road from San Antonio eight days. There has been much more straggling than the officers expected.

Greeted by Thousands.

Thousands of persons lined every curb along the line of march, as the troops passed.

As a result of excursion rates the city is crowded with persons from the territory within 100 miles of Austin. The clubs of the city and civic organizations have vied with each other in offering both officers and privates hospitality. The city is gaily decorated with flags.

Many of the chaplains will occupy Austin pulpits Sunday.

MAY BE ENVOY



COUNT ALBERT APPONYI

Dispatches from Budapest say Count Albert Apponyi, one of the leaders of the opposition in the Hungarian parliament, is a receptive candidate for the post of Austro-Hungarian ambassador to the United States. He is well known in America and it was argued in the lobby of the Hungarian house of deputies that his appointment would be received favorably in Hungary and the United States.

Record Week In Livestock, 557 Carloads

Greatest Business in History of Local Yards; Pork Prices Tumble.

The week closing today was the greatest in the history of the Oklahoma City market, figures compiled this morning showing that a total of 557 carloads of livestock were received at the local stockyards during the last six days. This includes cattle, hogs, calves and sheep.

Former record for livestock receipts was 510 cars, received in one week three months ago.

This was the third time that receipts have run more than 500 cars here.

High prices have been paid for pork by buyers all week, but the closing prices today were 25 cents lower than one week ago.

Price of pork is now nearly \$3 a hundred higher than one year ago.

Granddaughter of Lincoln Married

LONDON, Sept. 23.—Gertrude Aimes Lincoln of Los Angeles, Cal., was married at Hellingly, near East Bourne, today to Lieut. Arthur Lett Haines of the royal field artillery. Local newspapers say she is a granddaughter of Abraham Lincoln.

Chains and Padlocks Hold German Gunners, Canadians Discover

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 23.—Additional figures received regarding Canada's losses in the big engagement on the Somme bring the total casualties up to approximately 4,000 men. Of these about 900 were killed.

Tribute to the fighting qualities of his majesty's land ship "Creme de Menthe," is given by the press representatives at Canadian corps headquarters in France in accounts received here today of the part played by the dominion's troops in the offensive of September 15.

The assertion is made in the report that German machine gunners were found chained and padlocked to their guns.

"The morning of September 15 dawned bright and clear," said the message from the front. "There was a frosty nip to the air. Suddenly our massed artillery burst into a frenzy of activity. Shells of every caliber were hurled over the heads of the waiting infantry.

Shortly after 6 o'clock our battalions began their attack. In successive waves our infantrymen moved forward, climbing over the shell-torn ground and leaping the battered trenches. Among them burst the enemy shells. The noise was terrific. Machine gun and rifle fire poured into them. Steadily they mounted the last ridge; saw Martinpuich on their right and looked over to the brick ruins and white chalk mounds of the sugar refinery and the trenches to the right and left which were to be their objective.

"No sooner were the first line trenches of the Germans secured than the assaulting waves pressed onward. In their midst moving ponderously but steadily came several of the new armored motor cars. His majesty's land ship 'Creme de Menthe' led the way and the effect was electrical. In vain

SCANDINAVIA TO REMAIN NEUTRAL, NEW AGREEMENT

Three Kingdoms Plan More Co-Operation.

NO MOVE TOWARD PEACE

Will Not Take Initiative in Offering Mediation.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The Christiania conference of representatives of the Norwegian, Swedish and Danish governments has resulted in a further development of the plan for co-operation during the war in matters affecting the foreign affairs of the three nations. Through the Danish foreign office last night, there was issued a statement setting forth what was accomplished at the conference.

All for Neutrality.

This statement, which is said to have been received with satisfaction by all political parties, is said to be in effect as follows:

"The three countries are unanimous for maintenance of loyal and impartial neutrality during the present war. The blows aimed at the rights and interests of neutrals by belligerent powers, as well as the difficulties in the sphere of commercial policy which have ensued, therefore, for neutrals, formed the subject of a searching inquiry which resulted in an accord for bringing about wider collaboration among the three countries.

Cannot Make Peace Move.

"The parties also came to a complete accord based on the conventions of The Hague, as to the attitude to be adopted by the Scandinavian countries relative to certain questions touching the duty of neutrals and the making of arrangements for safe-guarding their neutrality. It was agreed, in view of present circumstances, that the three countries, by themselves, or in common with other neutrals, cannot take the initiative in mediation between the belligerents nor take measures in any way analogous to such mediation. Furthermore, it was agreed that it would be desirable to establish closer collaboration among the greatest possible number of neutral states to safeguard their common interests while observing the strictest impartiality."

French Flier Goes Far Into Germany

PARIS, Sept. 23.—Flying nearly 100 miles beyond the German border, Flight Warrant Officer Baron Lassi bombarded the important works at Ludwigshafen in the Palatinate on the Rhine and at Mannheim, across the river from Ludwigshafen. The official report of the day says the bombardment caused a large fire and several explosions at Mannheim.

Two Buildings in Chicago Dynamited

CHICAGO, Sept. 23.—Two mysterious dynamite explosions, both attributed to labor affairs, partly wrecked two buildings early today. Windows for blocks were shattered. Fire followed both explosions.

Loaves Reduced at Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 23.—Bakers here today reduced the size of a 5-cent loaf of bread from fourteen to thirteen ounces and the 10-cent loaf from twenty-six to twenty-four ounces. They announced they would make nothing but white bread at these prices. Flour prices here have advanced 50 percent in two months.

Direct Wire News

Yesterday while another afternoon newspaper in Oklahoma City was printing a story telling of a retreat of the Germans and Bulgarians in Dobruja, which was published in the Oklahomaian twelve hours previously, the Times was on the street with its home edition and the latest news from Berlin, which stated that Mackensen, by a circling counter-attack, had turned the tide of battle against the Rumanians and Russians and was driving them back. Quite a different story.

The Times has the direct wire service of the Associated Press. No evening newspaper in Kansas City, Chicago or New York has a better news service than the Times. The best is the Associated Press and the Times has it.

OKLAHOMA POSTMASTER GETS FIRST REWARD IN 'LAST GASP RECRUITING'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—The first rewards of \$5 for regular army recruits obtained by postmasters under the new national defense act, the war department announced today, have been paid to Postmasters William J. O'Donley of Utica, Okla., and Joseph M. Sitman of Greensburg, La. War department officials frankly describe the new recruiting system as "the last gasp of volunteer enlistments" and point out that in giving a \$5 premium to postmasters for each recruit the government has made a supreme effort to obtain its soldiers without resorting to compulsory training.

They predicted that should the plan fail and a sufficient number of recruits to fill the enlarged regular army not be obtained, it will become necessary to adopt universal training or some system of compulsory service.

Unconfirmed reports through Rome tell of a situation far more favorable to the entente forces in Dobruja, one account declaring that von Mackensen's retreat is continuing and even that the Danube fortress of Silistra had been abandoned by the Germans and Bulgarians.

On the front in Russia the only pronounced activity reported by Peregograd was in the Lake Narocz region, where a prolonged gas attack by the Germans is declared to have been repulsed.

British Attack on Somme.

Continued efforts by the British to advance north of the Albert-Bapaume road on the Somme front are meeting with success, according to London. The capture of a strongly fortified German trench system along a front of approximately half a mile east of Courcellette is announced. The Germans were beaten off in a violent attack near Mouette farm in this region. Berlin denies that the British were successful in the Courcellette attack.

Close in on Combles.

Apparently the Franco-British forces on the Somme are preparing to close their grip on Combles, the important town on the Albert-Peronne railroad, six miles northwest of Peronne, which has been virtually pocketed by the allies in their recent operations.

Last night the French war office reported the capture of a small fortified position and some trench sections close to Combles and today it announces that French patrols have penetrated still nearer the edge of the town, bringing back prisoners. Raiding operations such as these are commonly preludes to more comprehensive and forceful movements.

Greek Situation Must Act.

The Greek situation continues complex. A belated Athens dispatch reports that definite proposals have been made to the entente acceptance of which will insure the entry of Greece into the war.

Former Premier Venizelos, strong partisan of the entente, is quoted as declaring that if the government controlled by the court party does not act, the nation itself must defend its own interests.

The revolutionary fever is reported spreading, but a mutiny on one of the ships of the Greek navy, the armored cruiser Averoff, is declared to have been quelled.

U. S. Government Sues Automobile

ENID, Okla., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—"The United States vs. One Automobile" is the title of a case in federal court here. The car was seized under federal laws in an alleged attempt by Frank Cole to transport whisky to a Potawatomi Indian allotment. It is made defendant in a separate action.

Tulsa Lawyer Tries to Attack Judge

TULSA, Okla., Sept. 23.—(Special.)—Following a severe reprimand by Judge George C. Crump, in the district court today Woodson E. Norvell a Tulsa attorney attempted to attack the jurist as the latter was boarding a train at the Frisco passenger station this afternoon. Policemen took charge of the lawyer just in time to keep him from striking a blow aimed at the judge. Judge Crump said he would return to Tulsa to prosecute the case.

Missouri Drys Demand Ballot

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Sept. 23.—Mandamus proceedings to compel the secretary of state to place the prohibition amendment on the ballot at the November election were instituted in the state supreme court here today by "dry" leaders. The petition sets forth that Secretary Roach violates the law in refusing to place the proposed amendment upon the ballot.